Diversion of water from Pampa

1491. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Water Development Agency (NWDA) favours Tamil Nadu for using Mekkara Dam as regulating reservoir to divert water from Pampa and Achencoil rivers of Kerala to Vaiper Canal;

(b) Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether the NWDA and Centre for Water Resources Development Management (CWRDM) conducted any study relating to the water position of Achencoil and Pampa rivers;

(d) if so, the outcome of study;

(e) whether there is any proposal for the eastward diversion of water from Pampa and Achencoil rivers to Giriya project in Tamil Nadu; and

(f) government's are action thereto.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The water balance studies carried out by the National Water Development Agency (NWDA) in respect of Pamba and Achankovil rivers indicate that the surplus water available in Pamba basin at 75% dependability after meeting all the present and future water requirements in the basin will be 1612 Million Cubic Meter (Mcum) and that in Achankovil basin, will be 1515 Million Cubic Meter (Mcum). According to the Centre for Water Resources Development & Management (CWRDM) report, Pamba and Achankovil rivers will be deficit in water in the future and the quantum of deficit will be 3537 Million Cubic Meter (Mcum) in Pamba basin and 459 Million Cubic Meter (Mcum) in Achankovil basin.

(e) and (f) NWDA has proposed east-ward diversion of water from Pamba and Achankovil rivers to Vaippar basin in Tamil Nadu.

Rain water harvesting in new construction

1492. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made rain water storage and rain